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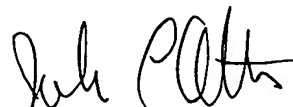
Invention Title  
**METHOD OF MAKING A BIFURCATED STENT  
WITH IMPROVED SIDE BRANCH APERTURE**

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